S.No.	Name of Bidder	Model
		(Plan) for high resolution & Optical contrast
13	M/s. Gener Instruments Pvt. Ltd.	Kyowa Medulix-20
14	M/s. Getner Optical Industries	BK-1209A BK-1200B BK-1200C
15	M/s. Carl Zeiss India Pvt. Ltd.	Zeiss
16	M/s. H.D. Consortium, India	XS2-HI
17	M/s. Light Instruments (PTE) Ltd.	MLW-Lab

Investigations against DDG(TB)

2840. SHRI KHAN GHUFRAN ZAHIDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether investigation against DDG(TB) is on for purchase of Binocular Microscope, from M/s. Light Instrument Ltd., Singapore, through their Indian agent; and
 - (b) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken against the DDG(TB)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Eradication of AIDS

2841. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to slate:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item, "AIDS is the biggest killer in India: UN", published in the Asian Age dated the 23rd July, 2000;
 - (b) if so, the reaction thereto;
 - (c) the steps proposed to be taken to eradicate the killer disease; and
- (d) whether Government have any proposal to tackle this menace with a coordinated approach with the foreign countries and if so, the details thereof?